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6 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE  
7 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
8 AT SEATTLE

9 OSSIE LEE SLAUGHTER,

10 Plaintiff,

11 v.

12 DAN WHITE, *et al.*,

13 Defendants.

CASE NO. C16-1067 RSM-JPD

ORDER DENYING PLAINTIFF'S  
MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

14 This matter comes before the Court on Plaintiff Ossie L. Slaughter's Motion for Extension  
15 of Time to File Objections. Dkt. #48. On May 17, 2017, a Report and Recommendation ("R&R")  
16 was issued in this matter, allowing Plaintiff to file Objections no later than June 7, 2017. Dkt. #44  
17 at 12. The R&R stated "[i]f no timely objections are filed, the matter will be ready for  
18 consideration by the District Judge on June 9, 2017." *Id.* No objections were received by June 9,  
19 2017, and the Court issued its Order that day adopting the R&R. Dkt. #47.

20 On June 13, 2017, the Court received the instant Motion for Extension of Time via the  
21 Court's CM/ECF system. *See* Dkt. #48 at 1. Plaintiff is signed up for the prisoner e-filer system.  
22 Plaintiff states that he sent this Motion via "email" on June 13, 2017. *Id.* Plaintiff's Motion is  
23 dated June 9, 2017. Dkt. #48 at 6. Plaintiff states that he was unable to draft Objections in a

1 timely fashion because Defendants, *inter alia*, engaged in “egregious harassment,” “punitive  
2 planned cell-confinements,” “tampering,” “planned targeting of Mr. Slaughters (sic) trays of food,”  
3 and “planned sabotages and interference of his filed grievances, tort-claims, etc.” Dkt. #48 at 4.  
4 Plaintiff at one point indicates that he “fell down stairs again,” and accuses prison staff of  
5 “misconduct behavior and diabolical intent, as this is why Mr. Slaughter is forced to ware (sic)  
6 medical shoes with large holes in them....” *Id.* at 6.

7 “A motion for relief from a deadline should, whenever possible, be filed sufficiently in  
8 advance of the deadline to allow the court to rule on the motion prior to the deadline.” LCR 7(j).  
9 Parties should not assume that the motion will be granted and must comply with the existing  
10 deadline unless the court orders otherwise.” *Id.*

11 Plaintiff’s Motion was filed after the deadline in question and is therefore in violation of  
12 Local Rule 7(j). The deadline to file Objections was June 7, 2017. The Court finds that Plaintiff  
13 fails to present good cause for granting this extension after the deadline. Although some of the  
14 issues discussed by Plaintiff could conceivably have caused a delay in his ability to file Objections,  
15 Plaintiff fails to present convincing evidence that he was unable to prepare and file his Objections  
16 within the three weeks allowed by the R&R.

17 Accordingly, the Court finds and ORDERS that Plaintiff Ossie L. Slaughter’s Motion for  
18 Extension of Time to File Objections (Dkt. #48) is DENIED. This matter continues to be referred  
19 to the Honorable James P. Donohue, United States Magistrate Judge.

20 Dated this 14 day of June, 2017.

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23 RICARDO S. MARTINEZ  
24 CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE